TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE

FISCAL NOTE



SB 348

March 29, 2015

SUMMARY OF BILL: Prohibits the Achievement School District (ASD) from expanding a school that has been placed in the ASD, beyond previously served grades.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Other Fiscal Impact – The amount of state and local Basic Education Program (BEP) funding retained by the ASD may change beginning in FY15-16, if ASD funding is required to be transferred back to the regular LEA. These amounts cannot be quantified and are dependent upon multiple unknown factors.

Assumptions:

- No decrease in the number of schools within the ASD.
- The implementation of this bill may require the ASD to serve a smaller number of students because some ASD schools are already serving students in grades beyond those the school served prior to joining the ASD. If so, this would trigger a transfer of students out of the ASD resulting in a decrease in state and local BEP funding transferring from the LEA to the ASD.
- The amount of any such decrease is unknown and is dependent upon the number of students enrolled in grades that were not a part of a school when it was initially assigned to the ASD, and whether those students are able to transfer to another ASD school or another school within their regular LEA.
- The ASD will not be prevented from implementing a school take-over on a grade-by-grade basis as result of this bill.
- No change in the BEP formula.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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